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OUR AFRICAN LETTER

A BRIEF SURVEY OF THE CONDITION OF THE NATIVES.

THE WORK OF THE MISSIONARY!

A New Era has Dawned upon the Entire African Continent—Race Prejudice Exists to an Alarming Degree and Prayer the Only Remedy.

DURBAN, NATAL, S. AFRICA, Oct. 8.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—It is not the intention of the writer to give an elaborate description of Natal, but to give some notes on the condition of the native race.

The American Mission Board, of Boston, Mass., U. S. A., is the oldest society here, having begun its labors among the Zulus in 1835. A grand and good work has been accomplished through their untiring efforts all these years. All the preachers, teachers and interpreters were trained in their schools, so that to-day thousands of natives enjoy to a great extent the civilizing, christianizing and educational influence therefrom. People have discarded missionary work among the Zulus, saying that it was a waste of time and money to bother with them. But a more sober attitude will reveal that it not only pays, but that it is to the best interest of the colony to educate and otherwise help to dispel heathen darkness, superstition and race night.

It is indeed a revelation at first sight to visit the old mission stations and see what is being done by preacher, teacher and missionary, with the efficient help of the native helpers. In olden times the hut was built after the shape of the rain bow, with no windows and only one door, which was so low that one had to stoop to enter the hut; in fact, it was most like crawling to get in. A depression was made in the center of the hut for fire, both for cooking and heating. The floor is mud, well beaten until it is most as hard as stone, upon which is a nice coat of cow manure smeared, which serves for two purposes, to lay the dust and to kill off all insects. While the old hut has given away to three, four and six rooms to some houses, the manure painted floors and mud porches are the same. The mat for a bed on the floor is most out of use. Iron beds have taken their place. Furniture of all shades, grades and styles may be seen in the homes.

The manner of eating, too, is much changed now. One will see the dinner table, with a nice, clean table cloth, with a full set of dishes, knives, forks and spoons; whereas, in former days all the men ate from one pan or dish, such as they had; the women next and the children came last. We shall speak of the food in a future letter. We will now turn to the spiritual side.

The bible and song books have been translated into the Zulu language by the white missionaries, thus making it quite easy to speak the people—even through interpretation the love of God through His word has a wonderful effect upon the natives. Upon my visit to the mission station I noticed a strange spirit in the meetings at first. We found that the people could not see or understand how it was that a black person could not preach in Zulu to them. After finding the cause some wept joy to see one from far away America; most all seem to really love to see me here, (I mean the natives.) We must thank God for every soul that has been laid down in this country for the millions of poor, lost heathens in this land. But that a new era has dawned upon the whole of South Africa cannot be denied, made so by mission effort. We must have more and better men and women to fill the ranks of those falling asleep in the Lord. Color blindness must be put away; spiritual life or spiritual death is at stake, here and now.

The class of white people who are coming out here are not acquainted with black people; and with ill will, ill feeling and prejudice, which already existed toward the black people only on account of their color, will have to be overcome by love, and love only.

I have traveled in many parts of this colony, have seen the inner life and mode of living, have heard views upon many subjects, and my conclusion is that nothing but the power of God can break down the awful hatred that prevails among the people.

People of America, I am glad to read of the great conventions, congresses and the like, which you all seem to delight in, but do you know that other people not of our race are seeking to keep the American Negro away from the natives in all parts of the world? We are informed that no Negro missionary is not allowed to come to this country at present, and that steps will be taken to keep all persons of color away.

Beloved, is it not time to call a meeting of three days and three nights of fasting and prayer to Almighty God for these people? That the white races of the earth will always be the educators of the black races, I have no doubt; but the time has come for the American Negro to be up and at it to help his own brother in black. Hearts must be softened, be touched and opened; prayer will do that. Kings and rulers must give assent to the spreading of truth and righteousness to a people who are so loudly call for them. Prayer will do that. In our mad rush for education we are forgetting the God of our fathers. Oh beloved, hear me please, and go to your knees! Time and space bids me close for this time.

S. C. CRUTCHER.

News Personal and General.

Mound City, Ill., Special.—Henry Hayes shows symptoms of paralysis. Mrs. Fannie Willingham is on the sick list. John Davis of Cairo, was a visitor here Sunday. Miss Irene Craig was in the city over Sunday. Mesdames Anna Rucker and Lulu Bolen were in Cairo on the 5th. Mance Stovall is suffering from a bone fellon. Rev. Sims filled the pulpit at the first Baptist church last Sunday in the absence of Rev. Hancock. William Hughes, who has been employed in the census office at Washington, D. C., has returned home. Rev. S. A. Saunders, missionary of the Mt. Olive association, lectured at the Missionary Baptist church on the 1st. Mrs. Fannie Davis died at her home in Beechwood on the 1st, from dropsy. Charles Stacker, of St. Louis, came down on Wednesday and claimed Mrs. Rosa Adams as his bride. They left the same day for their home. There is a plan on foot to establish a Sunday afternoon club from 3:30 to 4:30 p. m. Its object will be to engage in literary discussions and philanthropic plans. The concert for the benefit of the Second Free Baptist Sunday school has been postponed. On Saturday, the 6th inst., occurred the death of Joseph Cook, an old and respected citizen of this place. For many years he had been a persistent church worker, a Christian Endeavorer and Sunday school man. His death was a shock to his family and the community. Deceased was buried at the Beechwood cemetery under the auspices of the Odd Fellows last Sunday. December 14th is red letter day with the A. M. E. Sunday school. A good literary program will be rendered at 2 p. m. An entertainment will be given on the 14th at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Nun Lee, the proceeds of which is for the A. M. E. choir. Charles Barnes has lately taken out $2,000 insurance for himself and wife.

Society and Personal Notes.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.—In visiting the city during the holidays you should stop at the Bee Hive hotel, 759 Main street, the finest in the city. Miss Maggie Clay, a young lady of 23 summers, died on the 18th ult., and was buried from Salem church. G. W. Walker and wife, of Surrounded Hill, Ark., are in the city. George W. Cooper, one of the old land marks of the city, whose life is frought with romance and thrilling adventures, has watched the progress and development of the city for forty years. Mr. Cooper, while uneducated, has great shrewdness in business, and as a result has considerable wealth. He is a strict member of the Baptist church and is a great lover of his race. The prediction has been made, owing to the progressiveness of colored artisans, that within the next score of years not less than 25,000 colored men and women will be on the pay rolls of the cotton mills of the South, as first class operators. The white mail carriers and attaches of the custom house have organized for mutual and social purposes. Why can not the colored employes do likewise?

Terse, Timely Topics.

Jackson, Mich., Special.—Mrs. Jas. Wilson died on the 6th and was taken to New York for burial. Services were held at the residence at 4 p. m. Monday. The ladies met at the home of Mrs. Sam Harris on last Wednesday and a fine program was rendered. A elegant luncheon was served and all enjoyed a pleasant evening. The ladies of the A. M. E. church will serve dinner on Christmas eve day, and the children will have a Christmas tree and a fine program at night. Grandma West has been very sick but is improving. Frank Nokes, of this city, and Miss Jennie Hawkins, of Detroit, were married at the parsonage by Rev. Wm. Collins on the 29th ult. Honore Douglass and Mrs. Jennie Lester, both of this city, were married on the 29th. Percy Garrett was in the city a few days last week. Mrs. Charleston, of Ypsilanti, is visiting grandma West. John Taylor, of Fillmore, Utah, left the city Friday for Chicago. He will return in a few days. Anyone wishing the holiday number of The Freeman will please order them from our agent, Miss Flossie M. Johnson, 216 E. Franklin street.

Some Prominent Men Who Are Taking Active Part in Affairs of Life....

MR. DOUGLASS B. M'CARY,
One of America's Leading Financiers—Cashier of Capital Savings Bank, Washington, D. C.

COL. JAMES LEWIS,
One of the Illustrious Old Guard—Surveyor General of the State of Louisiana.

BISHOP G. W. CLINTON,
National Organizer of the Afro-American Council.

Pertinent Pick-ups.

Decatur, Ill., Special.—The Second Baptist church conducted a rally last Sunday and raised the sum of $47.30. A. Ward has opened an intelligence office in connection with his other business, on account of the many calls for hired help. Mrs. A. Ward, our leading hair dresser, expects to spend Christmas with her son in Fond du Lac, Wis. A Fountain of True Reformers was organized here on the 29th ult., with twenty members. Regular meeting will be held the second and fourth Tuesday evenings in each month. Charles Wilson has returned from an extended visit in Peoria. William White has gone to Springfield, where he has accepted a position.

Social and General News.

McKeesport, Pa., Special.—J. E. McClure died at his home on the 5th inst., leaving a wife and one child to mourn his death. Charles McCord was badly injured by a fall on the 5th. Rev. A. J. Tyler, a former pastor here, is visitiug in the city, and preached at Bethlehem Baptist church Sunday morning. The fair at Bethlehem church closed on last Saturday, and was a glowing success. A party was given on the 4th inst., at the home of Mrs. Mary E. Settlers, in honor of Misses Minnie and Mary Ross, who will leave for their home in Virginia in about two weeks. Those present had a most enjoyable time.

Among the Hotel Boys.

Chicago, Ill., Special.—All of the Windermere crew read The Freeman, and say that they could not do without it. Daniel Reed, second waiter at the Windermere, has been ill for several weeks, but is recovering. Asie Johnson, the ex-Ward McAlister, is still at the Windermere. He will go into the real estate business when he retires from hotel life. The Windermere has a colored night clerk and he is strictly O. K.

Golden Leaf Club Entertains.

Paducah, Ky., Special.—Mrs. Cornelia Barns and Mrs. Henry Daniels, of Chicago, were entertained with the Golden Leaf club recently, by Mrs. Jennie Queen, at her home in Ninth street. W. H. Mansfield entertained a few of his friends a few evenings ago, complimentary to Henry Daniels, of Chicago. Mrs. Celia Dunlap, of Earlington, Grand Matron of the Eastern Star of Kentucky, was in the city last week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Morton at their home in Tennessee street. A delightful banquet by Susanna Chapter was given in her honor. Extensive preparations are making for the delectation of society during the holidays. William Cherry has returned to the city after an absence of several months. Mrs. George Dawson is very ill at her home in Madison street. James Duffy is confined to his bed. Mrs. Duffy is also ill. Rev. L. F. Howard and wife are on the sick list. Rev. W. E. Glover will go to Kottawa on the 29th to preach before the First District Educational convention. Rev. J. W. Hawkins visited in eastern Kentucky last week. Mt. McGregor lodge No. 29, F. and A. M., elected officers for the ensuing year on the 4th. Lon Sterrett and wife have gone to Louisville to reside. John Sallee, of Dawson Springs, is in the city. Mrs. Harry Givens, Mrs. Laura Carter and J. B. Pursley are on the sick list. Don't forget the holiday number of The Freeman.

In the Social World.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Special.—Clarence Robinson, who has been in the city as demonstrator, will spend the next two weeks in Rochester. Miss C. M. Taylor has been visiting her cousins, the Misses Hodges, in South Niagara. Edward Smith will give a social dance at the Cliff Hotel on Monday evening. The Electric City Social club has moved to its new club rooms in the Bell block. Mrs. S. Jordan will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Solomon Young, in Ashland avenue.

Nuggets New and Novel.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—A. C. Allen is ill from typhoid fever. Mr. and Mrs. Lee buried their little daughter last Saturday, who died from whooping cough. Mrs. Lewis is very ill at her home in Sycamore street. Miss Bertha Poindexter has been missing from her home since Thanksgiving. Mr. and Mrs. John Monroe were called to Indianapolis by the illness of their son John. Mrs. Ferguson, of Richmond, was the guest of relatives here last Sunday. The Eagle band are contemplating joining the K. of P. lodge in a body. Revival meetings are in progress at the M. E. church. A social will be given at the M. E. church this evening. The public is invited.

A Stag Party Tendered.

Maysville, Ky., Special.—On Thursday evening, the 4th inst., the "bachelor apartments" of the home of Misses Chisam F. Erwin and E. P. Gantt were the scene of quite an elaborate stag party tendered by the gentlemen to several young men of the city. The rooms were brilliantly lighted by a number of wax taper and a profusion of flowers shed beauty on the surroundings. The gentlemen spent the evening with cards, crokinole, checkers, dominos and ping pong, while between the puffs of smoke from good cigars, could be heard bits of spicy wit and humor. A very choice and palatable lunch was served at 11 p. m. Those present were: Messrs. John Yates, Harvey Erwin, Henry Fields, Dr. W. R. Hassington, William Combs, Fred. Minor, Hennan Lewis, A. C. Whaley, Porter Wilson, Harvey Erwin, George Rideout, Clarence Braxton and George Hinton.

Thanksgiving Brevities.

Jones, La., Special.—The pupils and friends of Hunter's Institute of Jones, La., assembled at the institution Thursday, the 27th inst., in keeping with the custom of the great American people and opened the gates of their souls with Thanksgivings and Praise. Prof Charles H. Watkins, principal, conducted the services, and introduced Rev. J. S. Lewis, presiding elder of the A. M. E. Zion church of Pine Bluff, Ark., who preached an able and eloquent sermon. The reverend gave an imprezidiced exposition of the Negroe's "past and present" status. Mrs Rebecca Hunter, the accomplished wife of Mr. J. D. Hunter presided at the organ and furnished music; a delight to our souls, indeed. Tables were spread with turkeys and other delicacies to the gratification of the pupils and others. Prof Watkins will send your subscription to The Freeman, and will furnish you with a sample copy at any time you may call on him.

TWENTY-SIX CONVERTS BAPTIZED

The Buffaloes Entertain Friends—Wedding on the Tapis—Social Notes.

Cairo, Ill., Special.—Rev. Allerson, of the Twelfth Street Baptist church, has closed his revival and baptized twenty-six converts on last Sunday. Rev. Brown baptized 2, Rev. Knowles 7 and Rev. Kelly also had a large number. The Buffaloes entertained their friends on the 8th at their club rooms. Prof. Hillman's orchestra, of Paducah, rendered choice music. The evening was spent in music and indoor games, and a pleasant time was had. Emory Williams has returned from St. Louis, where he was called to the bedside of a sick sister. A fine girl was born at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Leech last week. A. Clark, of Fortieth street, is on the sick list. Edward Evans and little daughter visited in Columbus, Ky., last Sunday. Mrs. Cash Johnson, of St. Louis, after a visit of two weeks with Mrs. Penix, has returned home. Mr. Fields has built a bay window to his home and re-painted the same and presents a neat appearance. The ball given by Marshall & Murphy at the Nero hall on the 8th, was well attended. We would suggest that it would be better for the old sisters to let the young converts alone, and let them join any church they desire. Get ready to go to Paducah on Jan. 19th with Overby's orchestra, on the steamer Dick Fowler. Only $1 for the round trip. Mr. and Mrs. John Painter, of Florence, Ala., have moved to this city for permanent residence Jake Amos has been elected president of the Buffalo club. Mrs. Abe Peoples continues ill at her home in Commercial avenue. Everybody is requested to be at Clancey's hall next Monday night. There will soon be a wedding in swelldom when a social belle of Twenty-first street, and a prominent young man of Walnut street will be made one. Mrs. Dent, of Poplar street, is on the sick list. Charlie Cook, who has been sick several years, died last week. His funeral took place from the Twelfth Street Baptist church of which he was a member. Miss Myrtle Johnson entertained at her home in Twenty-first street last Saturday evening, in honor of Miss Mattie McKennedy, of Mound City. Quite a number were present. Quite a number of entertainments have been give during the past month for the benefit of Rev. Ricks' church, and considerable money

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NEW COTTON MILLS

ARE OPEN, GIVING EMPLOYMENT TO NEGRO ARTISANS.

MEETINGS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Are Being Held by Brainy Negroes to Further the Interest of the Race—A Crusade Being Waged Against Lawlessness of All Kinds.

Dallas, Tex., Special.—The New Century cotton mills are now making thread. It is to the credit of some of our young operators who are trying to master the business. We must keep pace with the times and demand the attention of the progressive set. Tom Delaney returned home from Kansas City this week. The holiday number of The Freeman will be a souvenir in your home. Place your order with the agent now. Mrs. B. M. Nelson has moved from Landerville. Bud Skinner, of Houston, is in the city. The activity of the thinking Negroes of Texas in taking steps forward in matters which concerns every Afro-American, is causing much comment these days, and especially among the whites. Meetings are being called and sessions are being held behind closed doors. Lynchings are diminishing and "lily whiteism" is given a wide berth. If things will continue and President Roosevelt will put on the steam and bring out the points of service of the man, there will soon be a reckoning in the South. Mrs. Susie M. Porter spent a few days in Ft. Worth this week. Miss Maggie Barnes, Marth Green and Rev. Gilbert Gordon are recovering. Mrs. Dinah Lunday died last Sunday in full triumph of the faith. She was an active member of Bethel A. M. E. church for 39 years. She was a member of the Taborian order, which had charge of the funeral. W. H. Johnson has opened a grocery at Good & Bryant streets, and asks the patronage of the race. Miss Precilla Daniels died last week after an illness of several weeks. The Negroes of Navarro county met in mass meeting and voted that the officers of the law have the support of the race in bring to an end the disgraceful scenes of females parading the streets at night, and young boys of school age hanging around low places and gambling dens. A. G. Allen's minstrels showed here on the 10th and 11th to packed houses. Several social spreads were given in their honor. The various Knights of Pythias lodges held their elections this week. If you have lost relatives or friends, we will assist you to find them by placing an add. in this paper. Uncle Billy Howard, the colored turfman, died Saturday morning. Deceased leaves a number of relatives to mourn his departure. For a number of years he had been the trusted foreman of the famous Bachelor stables. Bishop M. B. Salters and other notables of the A. M. E. church were guests of St. James church last week. The detectives are cleaning up all the stool pigeons, street dancers, banjo and mandolin players and one-eyed glamblers. Let the good work go on. The Freeman is for sale on the streets every Saturday.

Two rooms to let. Call at 670 Cookron street.

Pertinent, Pithy Pickings.

Lebanon, Ky., Special.—An enjoyable dinner was given by Mrs. Mary E. Sansberry on the 5th. Among the invited guests were Rev. T. A. Brown and family, Mrs. Hattie Graham, Mrs. Mary Booker, Mrs. Kate Pruette, Mrs. Sallie Phillips and others. Mrs. Hattie Graham, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Mary Booker, has returned to her home in Danville. Mrs. Rev. E. N. Brown, by request of the pastor, preached at the C. M. E. church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, after which communion was administered. Rev. McElroy will preach the sacramental sermon at Zion church Sunday afternoon. The General Fund committee gave a social Wednesday night at the church. Mrs. Emma Rice, teacher of the Millstown school, will have her closing exercises at the U. B. F. hall tonight. The public is invited. There will be a lecture, with views and music by a graphaphone, at Zion church on next Monday night, the 15th inst.

Soon to be Married.

Chicago, Ill., Special.—Miss Jessie L. Watkins will, in the near future, be married to J. E. Webb, clerk in the Chicago postoffice, and who is proprietor of the popular cigar store at 280 Twenty-ninth street.

PEORIA NEWS NOTES

THE FLASH LIGHT TURNED UPON THE DOINGS OF THE SECOND METROPOLIS OF ILLINOIS.

WHITE MAN CONVICTED FOR ROPE

n the Social Swim—Evidence of Race Progress Everywhere.

Peoria, Ill., Special. — Peoria, the second metropolis of Illinois, is rapidly coming to the front with a total population of nearly 70,000. Peoria is also the terminal of thirteen railroads. The colored population is not as large as it should be, but we are anxiously awaiting the time when we will be 5 000 strong. Both the Methodist and Baptist churches are progressing and doing great work for the Savior.

The colored citizens of Peoria are well pleased with President Roosevelt's message to the Southern whites, and every man, woman and child in this "neck of the woods" are for "Teddy" in 1904.

Rev. Phelps, the new pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist church, is a great worker, and is rapidly pushing the church matters to a successful end. Rev. Phelps preaches to a very large audience every Sunday night. Previous to his coming to Peoria Rev. Phelps pastored a church in Omaha, Neb.

After a brief attack of "rumatiz" Dr. Cotton is again on the go, administerng to the wants of suffering humanity.

Mrs. Minnie Forshap (white) filed a suit for divorce, last week, charging cruelty. She says that her husband drew a razor across her throat and threatened her life. The razor is no longer solely the Negroes weapon.

Louis Ducommon, a white man, was convicted in Circuit Court, last week, of committing a rape upon a little six-year old girl. While Ducommon is guilty of a diabolical deed the good citizens of Peoria and the laws of Illinois demand that every person accused of a crime shall have a fair trial, and they usually get it.

Joseph Conway conducts a very good restaurant and lunch counter in the Hotel Fey building.

The Hotel Page on Washington street is not now conducted by Mr. Page, that gentleman having disposed of his interest to Mr. J. L. Chambers.

In a letter to one of the local papers Mr. Wise Hayden, brother of our fellow-citizen, Thomas Hayden, complains very bitterly of the constitution recently adopted in Virginia. Mr. Hayden says that colored voters are disfranchised by the wholesale, and that he and other colored men of that section are desirous of getting up in God's country. We advise brother Hayden to buy a ticket direct to Peoria. In our prosperous city "A-man-a-man-for-a'-that."

Joseph Baker (white) was convicted of the murder of his step-son and the attempt of murdering his wife and her six-year-old boy, and has been sentenced to prison for life. Public sentiment was against Baker and many believe that he should have received a death sentence

Mrs. R Smith, who resides at 900 Monson street, suffered a very painful accident last week in which she sustained a broken leg. It seems that Mrs. Smith and a few other friends were being driven in a wagon to the home of a lady friend who lives a few miles in the country, but before they reached their deslination the horses became frightened and ran away, overturning the wagon with the above result. None of the other ladies were seriously hurt.

Rev. and Mrs. Wilkinson of the A. M. E. church have returned from a very pleasant sojourn in Chicago, where they went to attend a meeting of the Mite Mission Society, of which Mrs. Wilkinson is president. Mrs. Wilkinson was given a royal reception while in Chicago.

Among the many who are unfortunate enough to be placed on the sick list are the following: Messrs. Elmer Johnson, E. Wade and B. Field. Madam Williams of Chicago, who came here recently and opened up a hair dressing and massage parlor is quite ill in the hospital.

The Woman's Aid Club met, last week, at the residence of Mrs. Melvina Starks, 405 Adams street. The evening being literary evening the club was highly entertained by Madam Starks, whose interesting discussion was highly appreciated by all those present. The next meeting of the club will be a business meeting, and will be held on the last Thursday evening of the month.

The colored people here are progressive and are branching out into business in every line.

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Siftings from the Vapor City.

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.—Rev. M. F. Fulford of the A. M. E. Zion church of this city has been removed from his charge here to the A. M. E. Zion church at Brinkly, Ark. Mrs. Ada Daniels has moved into her beautiful new cottage on Pine street. Mr. Floyd Brown is now occupying his new store opposite his old stand on Walnut street, and is now prepared to furnish his many friends the best of groceries at reasonable prices. Mrs. L. M. Lyons of Chicago, Ill., is visiting Mrs. L. B. Anderson on Daisy street. She expects to remain in the vapor city six months. Miss Isabella Whitmore of Little Rock, Ark., spent a few days here visiting relatives. Give me your order now for the holiday number of The Freeman, which will be out December 27th. It will contain twenty-four pages, also quite a number of photos of prominent Negroes and their works. Get The Freeman from H. F. Foster every Saturday. Price five cents.

LRATERNAL ENTERTAINMENT HELD

Prominent Young People Wed—Pink Social Given—Chitterling Supper.

Chicago, Ill, Special —A fraternal entertainment was held by all the various lodges of the city at Quinn Chapel Thanksgiving evening. Hon Edward H. Morris, statesman, representative and Grand Master of the Odd Fellows, gave an interesting lecture upon the recent reception tendered him while at the coronation in England, and various other cities in Great Britain. Remarks were also made by F. W Rollins, of the Conservator, and Rev. A J. Carey, pastor of Quinn Chapel. One of the best entertainments of the season was given by Prof. Edward F. Morris, chorister of Quinn Chapel, on the 1st, in aid of the choir fund. Each participant in the exercises did nobly and was a financial success. Noble Manly, who has been visiting his brother, Rev R B Manley, of Racine, Wis, has returned home A mock wedding was given at Wayman Mission on Monday evening, the 1st inst. Charles E. Gage was recently married to Miss Laura Franklin, at Thirty-seventh and State streets, Rev. A. J. Carey officiating. Mrs. Mamie Childress is very ill at her home, 3105 La Salle street. A pink social was given at the residence of Mrs. Sarah Alexander, 260 N. Clark street, by Mrs. Pressley's club, on the 2d. It was composed of a musicale and literary and an apple guessing contest, a present beling given to the winner. A grand bal and chitterling supper was given by the North Side Colored Porters' Social club on the 11th at Trades Union hall. Mr. Cook is ill at his home in Wells street. The funeral of Thornton Taylor, who was killed on Thanksgiving morning by James Johnson, was held at Bethel A M E. church, Rev. A L. Murray, officiating. The remains were shipped to Greenville, Miss., for burial. A number of colored men were killed in the boiler explosion of the Swift packing house plant, at the Union stock yards on the 29th ult. A grand musicale was given in Quinn Chapel on Monday evening, under the direction of Mme. Marion Adams Harris, who has been filling successful engagements East. It was headed by Mme Rosa Lee Tyler, the sweet nightengale singer, Prof. J. L. Love, the world's great tenor singer, and many others, making it the finest program of the season.

Swell Reception Tendered.

South Bend, Ind., Special.—There has been quite a stir in social circles here the past few weeks. On Monday evening, the 24th ult., the ladies of the Eastern Star gave a swell banquet in their hall in honor of the Deputy Grand Matron, Mrs. Nanie Slaughter, of Indianapolis, after listening to an instructive lecture from the honored guests. The brothers of the order were in attendance, and several made remarks, after which luncheon was served in courses. The Odd Fellows entertained on the 26th and 27th ult., at the old G. A. R. hall. Dancing was the feature of the evening. A nice crowd was in attendance. On Friday evening, the 28 h ult., the grandest affair that has been witnessed in social circles here for some time, was the installation of Anderson Commandry, K. T., at the Harrison club rooms. The officers were installed by Sir Knight W. F. Anderson, of Lafayette. After the installation followed the grand march, led by Sir W F Anderson and Mrs. Dr. Hickman. Then followed the banquet and ball. The officers installed were: C. Mathews, E. C.; J. W. Wade, captain; J. W Blake, general; J. Wenzo, S. W; Ed. Cooksey, J. W.; O. Smith, recorder; Wm Manning, treasurer. J. W. Wade, who has been ill, is recovering. Olivet A M. E. church had a rally on the 30th ult. Bishop Grant was to have been present, but was prevented by illness. Mrs. Lottie Stewart has been on the sick list, but is able to be out.

Settlers Homeseekers Half Rates.

On the first and third Tuesdays of each month to and including April 21st, 1903, the Mobile & Ohio railroad will sell one way settlers tickets to points south, southeast and southwest, including Mobile, Ala., at one half of the regular first-class one way fare plus $2 00. On the same days Homeseekers excursion tickets will be sold to same territory at rate of one fare plus $2.00 for the round trip. Ask your nearest Agent, or John M. Beall, A. G. P. A., M. & O. R. R., St. Louis, Mo., for further particulars

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St. Louis, Mo., Special.—The rules of the house (Music hall) preventing them from giving their show, the Black Patti Troubadours gave the neatest and cleanest concert ever given in this city for some time, on Sunday, the 30th ult. There was a bit of comedy by John Rucker, and Kemp's Wang Doodle Comedy Four in "That's the way to spell chicken," was a feature and a rich number. Miss Jones' singing of "Suwanee River," was by far her best number. The finale, a selection from six operas, including "Martha," closed the show with success. A large and appreciative audience was in attendance. George H. White and James Worles, of the Black Patti show, were made members of the Oriental club while here. The evening was closed by a reception at John Rucker's home. James W. Grant presented the world's greatest three, Charles Sumner Byron, Mme Losoros and Joseph Douglass, at the Fourteenth Street Theater, on the 1st inst. The program was a unique one and was well supported by local talent. Mr. Douglass is a grandson of the late Hon. Frederick Douglass, and is a violinist of high repute. Mme. Losoros, the beautiful soprano, is the wife of Charles Sumner Byron, who is one of the leading pianists of his race, both in this country and Europe. We are proud to say that Mr. Byron was born in St. Louis. Al. and Mame Anderson were among the headliners at the Columbia recently. James Jordan has returned from British Columbia, and is prepared to accommodate the public when in need of first class music. Call on him at 1923 Market street. Everybody is looking forward to the Tom Turpin's "Dandy Coon" show on the 18th inst., at the Fourteenth Street theater. This will be beyond a doubt the best local aggregation put on this season.

TIMELY ADVICE TO THE NEGRO!

The Colored Brother is Urged to Organize and Accumulate Wealth.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—In your issue of the 22d ult., there appeared an article concerning race matters. The three points that the writer tried to convey to the public were: First, That the Negroes were a lot of mongrels; second, That they were unorganized; third, That they should get off to themselves and remain there.

This is a very narrow conception of the Negro race, and I must say that the thought thus conveyed, or intended to be by the writer, is very insignificant and immaterial, and I dare say that such teachings are a detriment to the race, and the sooner our race can rid itself of such persons the sooner we will become organized, and recognition is bound to soon follow. Some people convey the idea of recognition in a light or sense not intended by those who advocate it. By recognition we mean that we should be recognized as other races are in the various walks of life. I believe the race is entitled to recognition in public works according to the number of inhabitants in a city, village or state This can be done only by organization, which is gradually increasing. Where the race has organized into a political body, much good has been the result, and men have been placed in positions of honor.

This is a deep question—one worthy of consideration. The colored men as a race must study the welfare of their children, even though they may not be able to reap the benefit. They must stop the practice of accepting anything in compensation for their vote. I know it to be a fact that men have gotten together and demanded a certain price for their vote; again, I know of others who set their price so high that their vote was lost entirely. This practice has kept the race down as much as anything except slavery. This practice should be stopped at once. Go to the polls and exercise one of the highest privileges that is known to the American citizen. Vote from principle and not from mercenary motives. Vote for the best interests of your race and the country in which you live. Allow me to use the words of our worthy leader, Booker T. Washington: "We, as a race, must accumulate property and wealth; we must acquire that which is in demand," then the recognition so much talked of would be the ultimate result.

L. B.

Pontiac, Ill.

Echoes of Thanksgiving.

Moberly, Mo., Special.—The Thanksgiving ball and 'possum supper given by the Excelsior band, was well attended. Huntsville and Macon were well represented. Messrs. Wade, Fielding and Brown, of Macon, played with the band and attended the ball. Will Phillips and Will Wright, of Kansas City, spent Thanksgiving in the city. Miss Essie Harris, of St. Louis, is the guest of Mrs. George Terrell. Miss Eugetta Diggs, of Western College, was the guest of her parents on Thanksgiving. Rev. W. F. Botts, of Carrolton, was in the city on the 30th. Prof. R. L Logan, editor of the Professional World, was in the city on Thursday, enroute to Jefferson City. Mrs Juda Bassett, of Madison was a visitor last week. S. A. Brown is in the city. Mrs. F. D. Vaughn, Amanda Tymony and Charlotte Kirly attended the baptising in Huntsville on the 30th. Mrs. Cora Williams, of Macon, was in the city on the 4th.

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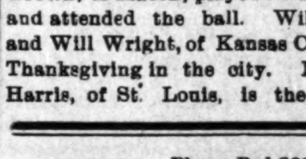

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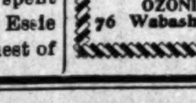

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THE WAITER

The minutes of the Head and Second Waiters' Convention states that on Thursday, Oct. 16, 1902. "Mr. Jacob Walker of Pittsburg addressed the convention, highly commending the National Association and its officers. Mr. A. J. Carter of Atlantic City gave a very able talk on the subject of "The Short Comings of the Headwaiters of the Present Day." He also advocated Mr. Thompson's idea of a general supply house, supported and patronized by men employed in hotels, including bellmen, waiters and porters. Mr. Robb of Pittsburg advised less talk and greater action. He also spoke of the condition of affairs at Atlantic City. He claimed that the rough element of waiters were in the majority in that city; they insulted ladies on the street; thieving and over indulging in intoxicating drinks had greatly endangered the colored waiters' chances. He appealed for action. Mr. W. T. Naylor spoke on the incompetency of the average colored headwaiter; scored them for hiring side men who are ignorant and incompetent; sees a cloud arising in the shape of foreign labor on account of unbusinesslike management of so-called headwaiters. (Great applause) The president, W. A. Locke, then addressed the convention, urging men employed in this line to take hope and advance with the times; to study and try to improve in the work that gives them bread. Mr. C. C. Randolph of New York was the next speaker. He advised against foolish pride and trying to assume the management of hotels in which you are employed as a servant; or, in other words, posing as great "I am"; heavily scored the grabbing system, also the cutting of prices and selling of positions to other so-called headwaiters, also scored the system of selling uniforms at extortionate prices and compelling side men to purchase from them, or, in other words, robbing them, supporting crime and vice among their crews for the purpose of gain or singing the song "I Don't Like No Cheap Man." "If your right arm offend you, cut it off" "Be sure you are right then go ahead." (Great applause.) Be men among men. Mr. George W. Chivis, representing the Waiters' and Porters' Magazine, spoke of his experience as a waiter, porter, sheriff and later in the United States mint located at Philadelphia. Well, Mr. Chivis talks well, but we have heard people talk before.

A few years ago the colored waiters laughed at the girl waiters, and often said that the girls could not hold houses that did a good business. And then, again, they would say that girls were employed because they were cheap, but the girls have proven that they are a dangerous foe to the colored waiters, and they are gradually getting the best of it. In the last two years the wages of the girl waiters have advanced to that paid to colored waiters, and they are not as particular in their deportment as they should be; they are not as neat and tidy as the girl waiters. They are not as pleasant to the guests as the girl waiters, and many of them do not render as good service as the girls do. A Chicago hotel proprietor recently said colored waiters are not a reading class, and they will not go neat unless made to do so. Now, brothers, you are going to the bad; something must be done or else we are lost.

J. L. Cook, a well-known waiter of Chicago, has partly recovered from a severe attack of illness, during which time he occupied a private room at Alexian Bros'. hospital in that city. It seems that Mr. Cook is an exception to the ordinary waiter. We know of very few waiters who are economical enough to save money to pay $10.00 to $15.00 per week for several weeks while sick. We sincerely trust that other waiters will follow Mr. Cook's example and save their money. The average waiter spends most of his money having what they are pleased to call a good time, and when they get sick have to depend upon charity or else be sent to a free ward in the county hospital. But Mr. Cook prepared for a rainy day while the sun was shining. Whatsoever you soweth you shall reap.

Still the demand is greater than the supply. In five years from now, if this phenomenal change keeps up, there will be but few hotels employing colored waiters. The reasons for this change are many, but we might mention a few as follows: Colored waiters are progressive enough, they do not read and keep posted on the latest; they, as a whole, do not study their profession or trade, but goes at it hammer and tong fashion.

Messrs. John B. Goins, author of the "American Colored Waiter," and W. Forrest Cozart, author of the "Waiters' Manual," two lightning change artists, each headed a west bound special recently and there came near being a head-on collision, but Mr. Goins' train had the right of way and he landed in Omaha safely while the Cozart special switched off to Peoria.

Mr. S. Jones is again headwaiter at the West Baden hotel, West Baden, Ind. Mr. Jones was headwaiter in the old West Baden hotel for several years. The new house has nearly 800 rooms. Mr. Jones had excellent reasons for giving thanks on Thanksgiving day.

The speech of C. C. Randolph before the Headwaiters' Convention, Washington, D. C., was a stinger and it went straight to the mark, for within the sound of his voice sat men who were as guilty as Judias.

In regard to establishing a uniform supply house we would advise that the matter be dropped because certain over zealous headwaiters, who are headwaiters for revenue only, have already overworked that field.

John Goins has resigned as headwaiter at the West Baden hotel, West Baden, Ind., and it is reported that he has gone as steward and caterer for the Pacific Hotel Company at Omaha, Neb.

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Foreigners Entertained.

Boston, Mass., Special.—At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bailey, 9 Windsor street, on the 27th ult., a social was given in honor of foreign friends. It was a gathering of thoughtful people upon the plane of social equality. Those present were: The Misses Tarsh, of Damascus; Miss Gillis Nahase, of Constantinople; Miss Shopi, of New York City; Mrs. Olivia Bush, the eminent writer and poetess, and Prof. W. Thomas Adams, the brilliant young leader and a leading young musician of this city. During the evening Miss Nahase rendered several vocal solos with artistic effect, and Prof. Adams rendered "The Pilgrims' Chorus from Tanhauser," with beautiful effect. Mrs. Bush also recited one of her poems that touched her hearers. A brilliant supper was served the guests at a late hour, consisting of several courses.

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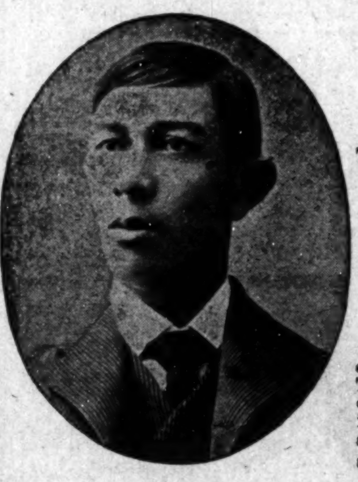
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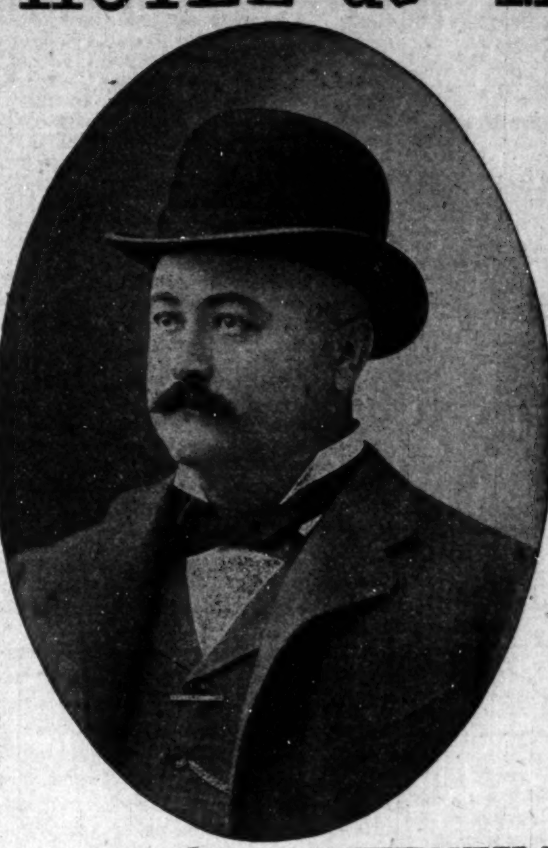
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SATURDAY, DEC, 13, 1902.

THE CASE OF SHERIFF DUDLEY.

John S. Dudley, the sheriff who figured in the Dillard lynching case, is making a desperate effort to save his official head. If it is true that he was aware of the determination of the people of Indiana to mob him as soon as he was brought across the line from Illinois he should have used every effort to circumvent their advertised determination. It is said that Dudley gave support to the mob by forcibly bringing Dillard into Indiana without requisition papers, which is contrary to the law, and in this case was decidedly in the interest of lawlessness. The white people, Mr. Merrill Moores, the State house people and those of the vicinity of the scene deserve commendation for their efforts at redeeming to what extent they can the blot on the State. None of these manifest sympathy for the mob's victim, but they are after sustaining the majesty of the laws of the State. It is eminently proper that they do so. We do not look with much favor on a law or laws that relieves a sheriff from office if he performs his duty or even tries. The mob is known; it will do what it says; it enjoys that reputation, but if the sheriff and mob are in collusion then the sheriff ought to be prepared to take the consequences. It is alleged that the sheriff and officers were drunk and disorderly. Sheriffs and mobs may drink like men who are not sheriffs and mobs, but if it can be shown that the drinking was indulged in as a further means of inciting warfare on Dillard then they ought to expect to take the consequences. If Dudley is guilty of the offenses charged for the purposes charged he should be relieved of duty. It is the spirit of the laws on the point. If he was bent on doing his duty at the risk of violating a technicality in that he failed to serve requisition papers his case ought to have the best judgment. For, after all, the mob was the thing, and its a great admission when it is said that the sheriff knew that the Indiana mob was bent on mischief. It is evident that the mob was determined enough. What about the sheriff? As we see it the question is—was the sheriff acting with the mob or against it?

The President's attitude toward the Negroes of the country, as indicated through his North Carolina letter, has called forth much comment pro and con. The New Orleans Times-Democrat has the following:

"Every one who has long lived at the South—or, indeed, in any community in which whites and blacks are thrown together in large number—understands that there are certain deep-seated racial instincts which cannot be eradicated. These instincts lead even the best-tempered and most conservative white men to discriminate in favor of their own race; that is, to prefer, where all other conditions are equal, to be governed by Caucasians. In this feeling—and it is not mere prejudice—is to be found the reason why the white people of the South object to Negro postmasters, Negro collectors of ports, Negro district attorneys, Negro marshals and other Negro officials. The objection is not merely that the Negro's skin is black, or that the conformation of the African's features is different from the Caucasians, but that there is a something—forever present yet not susceptible of clear definition—that makes imperative the separate development of the two races in all social ways—even in all civil social ways. This at least is a conviction that can never be erased from the brain and the heart of the Southern people—or, indeed of any other white people who have been required to live near Negroes in large numbers. Is it unreasonable to expect that Mr. Roosevelt, 'as President of all the people,' will recognize this physical fact, and regulate his appointments accordingly?

"It is doubtless true that the President's position is both difficult and delicate. The mere fact that there are 11,000,000 Negroes in the United States, and that their leaders clamor for political recognition of the race, as a race, in contradistinction to mere citizenship, weighs heavily in the President's judgment. The pressure is, of course, tremendous; and it is hardly to be wondered at that Mr. Roosevelt, who is a lifelong Republican and a man of Northern training though partly of Southern lineage, should be inclined to yield to the temptation with which he is confronted. If the Southern people were in his position and could see the situation from his viewpoint, they would in all probability sympathize with him in the effort he is making—and making sincerely, we believe—to solve rightly and righteously the problem he has attacked. He is face to face with the political, if not the moral, necessity of 'recognizing' the Negro, as a Negro, in the United States. He is President by virtue of the Republican party which freed the bondman and to which the freedmen have been in the habit of looking—though not always with success—for encouragement and help. In view of all this, the President's position is hedged in with many difficulties. We are not quite sure what is the wisest thing he can do; but we are certain that this appointing of Negroes instead of equally good white Republicans at the South can result only in unpleasant friction."

The above article is rather a temperate discussion of the late phase of the absorbing question, but it has a sting in its tail. Whatever the President or Presidents may do they, at least, should not indicate by any certain signs that one class of men is preferred over another, everything else being equal.

The Boston Guardian is authority for the following:

"News comes by way of Washington that Dr. J. R. A. Crossland of Missouri, who was appointed Minister to Liberia, recently shot a native unto death and has resigned his position as minister. The news has not been declared officially, but the news reached Washington the other day in a private letter to a high official of the government. Dr. Crossland's enemies are greatly rejoiced over his downfall, though they lament, of course, that he has brought disgrace on the government.

"We hope this is not true. We do not believe that it is. If it be true, Dr. Crossland's bitterest enemies will not rejoice at his downfall; for such a downfall would prove not only a disgrace upon the government to which he is accredited, but also the race with which he is identified."—Enterprise, Omaha.

We also trust that the above concerning Dr. Crossland is not true, and regret that the enemies of Dr. Crossland are greatly rejoiced because of the report.

The New Jerseyites are protesting against the appointment of T. Thomas Fortune being credited to that State, insisting that he is a New Yorker, and that he has only been in the State for a few years. Well, if that is all they have to urge against him, it shows a marked improvement in the methods of political warfare as waged by colored politicians. The improvement is commendable.

The Bee begs leave to inform the Daily Post as well as the Evening Star that Mr Booker T. Washington is the white man's Negro leader, but not the Negroes' leader. The Negroes are capable of selecting their own leader.—The Washington Bee.

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ABOUT THE PRESIDENT.

Roosevelt is the biggest hearted, most original President we have had since the immortal Lincoln passed away. He is an American of the truest and best type.—Baptist Vanguard, Arkansas.

President Roosevelt considers the qualifications of men rather than color, habitation or political views of men.—The Practical Pointer, Aberdeen, Miss.

The President did right. He did his plain duty. We do commend Roosevelt for his idea of justice and the courage to do right by all classes and colors. Away with the lily white party, away with such nonsense.—Iowa State Bystander, DesMoines, Iowa.

We are much afraid that if the administration would search closely it would find men holding appointments who have done worse than the charges made against Dr, Crum.—Georgetown Advocate, South Carolina.

Notwithstanding the plain statement the president that as President of the United States he knows no man by his color, the Negro hating element in some of the States continue their diabolical efforts in trying to rob the Negro of his civil and political rights. Pardon us for using slang, but these hell-deserving Negro haters are finding themselves up against the real thing when they try to get President Roosevelt to mistreat and insult a race of people just because of color.—The American Eagle, St. Louis.

From the Negroes all over the country comes their plaudits to President Roosevelt for his manly stand in the Crum affair, and if it were left to us, there would not be one whit of uncertainty about him being the next president of these United States.—The Progress, Omaha, Neb.

President Roosevelt has appointed Editor T. Thomas Fortune of the New York Age a special Commissioner of the Treasury Department to visit the Hawaiin and Philippine Islands to study the real condition of the people and make report. The entire Negro race will rejoice over this appointment, for Mr. Fortune is efficient and worthy, and a true and courageous race leader.—The Star of Zion, Charlotte, N. C.

The Virginia Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church at Norfolk, Va., Nov. 27th, heard the reports of the committee on the state of the church and educational board. The first report dwelt upon the advancement of the country and referred to the possibility of a new Cabinet officer, to be known as Secretary of Commerce, and eulogized President Roosevelt, who is styled as a modern Joseph to the colored race. Rev. Dr. Gullen, speaking to the education report, said there is such a thing as over education, and what the Negro wants is just enough education to teach him how to take care of himself and attain to good citizenship.

It is unquestionably a great—a supremely great hardship that a man, such as Dr. W. D. Crum is, cannot receive the reward of his well doing and well being without his color being visited upon him as a reproach and objection. But that is not the question just now. The conditions which obtain in the South—conditions of which both races are the victims—were not developed in a day nor will they be radically changed for or against a single individual. We have to meet the situation as we find it and trust to time and God's providence to exalt right and justice. Further than this we do not care to go at the present time.—The Charleston (S. C.) Messenger.

President Roosevelt's letter to Charleston citizens who protested against the appointment of Dr. Crum as collector of customs at Charleston, S. C., because of his race, is an epoch-marking document and will be so recognized by the best element of this country, white and black. It states a broad principle of true Americanism which even the caste-cursed United States must eventually recognize practically as it now does theoretically. That principle is—"Equality of opportunity to be and become all that is highest and best in American citizenship." Our government rests upon this principle.—The Enterprise, Omaha, Neb.

President Roosevelt found it necessary to define his position relasive to the Negro as an applicant for a part of the Federal patronage in South Carolina. The letter is direct and to the point. He certainly made himself understood and his position is plausible. The Negro of to-day has no desire to see a return to the "carpet bag" rule, when evil and designing white men were anxious to see an inexperienced and ignorant Negro placed in order that they might loot the government and fasten the crime upon the unsuspecting and innocent black official. The President's policy should meet the approval of all classes of citizens. The question of "character and fitness" becomes an issue along as to other applicants than the Negro.—Terre Haute (Ind.) Eagle.

President Roosevelt's declaration as to political appointments is a sound, straight-forward document, and is in accord with the thought that has been actuating the mind of the intelligent and ambitious colored citizens who are in every way qualified to enjoy all the privileges accorded them under the amendments to our constitution. The President is right, and his outspoken statement will be echoed back to Washington in 1904 by the united vote of the colored citizens throughout the country for his continuance of four years longer in the White House.—The Utah Plain Dealer.

The United States has in President Theodore Roosevelt the man for the place and the man for the hour. Independent in thought and outspoken in speech, he is at once the great leader and wise statesman. The letter of the President to the Charleston merchant, in which he sets himself square before the country and the world in reference to his conception of the treatment that should be accorded to colored Americans, is a gem of manly and candid expression of opinion that can but have much to do with settling the question as to the future of the colored American as a citizen of this country.—Georgia Baptist.

In his letter to his South Carolina correspondent with reference to the appointment of colored men to political office, the President takes high ground. He will not he says discriminate against any man because of his color, but he will to the utmost, hold all applicants for public place up to the requirements of worth and fitness. He will so far as it is reasonable, give consideration to the wishes of the people who are to be served, but he will not countenance mere race prejudice. The sentiments expressed in his letter will do much to set him right before our people as the idea prevailed that he was using his good office to eliminate Negro office holders, and was giving aid to the lily white movement of the South.—Columbus Standard, Columbus, O.

It's the unexpected that happens. Late last week, President Roosevelt gave to the public the full text of a letter sent by him in reply to some of the aristocratic South Carolinans who have seen fit to object to the appointment of a Negro, Dr. Crum, as collector of the Port of Charleston. The record of President Roosevelt in his Southern appointments had not prepared the public mind for such a revelation. The turning down of life-long Republicans, both white and black, in favor of rapid Democrats, was not calculated to convince the public that he held such views. The placing of a premiun on good citizenship regardless of race, color or previous condition of servitude, undoubtedly, President Roosevelt's views have been materially affected by recent Southern trips. The President's letter raises him above the limits of petty politicians, and puts him in the class of statesmen who place the good of the nation above individual success. God bless him.—The Topeka Plain Dealer, Kansas.

NOTICE.

Any information as to the whereabouts of Walter Howard, who was last heard of as a soldier in the regular army, will be gladly received by his brother, Edward Howard, 220 Fourth street, Milwaukee, Wis Walter Howard is the son of Wm and Mary Howard, Winchester, Va. Age about 59 years; dark brown complexion; hair almost straight. All ministers who may read this notice are humbly requested to make inquiries among their congregations. There are property interests which cannot be settled without said party is located.

A Few Interesting Items.

McKeesport, Pa., Special.—Mr. E. McClure is still confined to his room with typhoid fever. Harry Lawson of Pittsburg, Pa., was in this city recently. The members of the Methodist church started a bazaar on Thanksging and will continue for two weeks. Dr. Senior, principal of the Senior Institute, preached at Bethlehem Baptist church on Sunday, Nov. 30. At Duke & Lysle's pool room a match game will be held, beginning Dec. 15th and continuing to New Years. It will be opened by Wm. Patterson and Jessie Hayes. The one making the highest number of balls between these dates will receive a prize. Dennis Robison of Monessen, Pa., was visiting friends in the city on Sunday, Nov. 30. Rev. D. Newson of West Newton, Pa, passed through this city on Wednesday, Nov. 26th, en route home. The Young People's Union of the Bethlehem Baptist church gave a concert Monday, Dec. 1, which was a great success. The fair at Bethlehem Baptist church closed with a grand concert given by the Jubilee Songsters of Pittsburg, Pa. Charlie Wilson has accepted a job at the Carnegie Steel Works at Duqesne, Pa.

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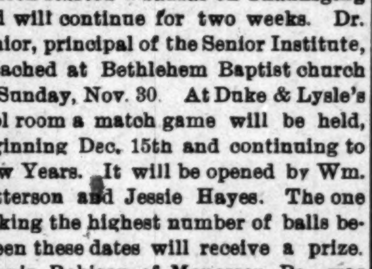

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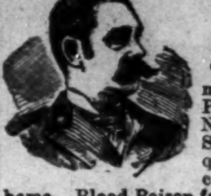

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Geo. L. Moxley, the veteran minstrel who is residing in West Virginia has been layed up with rheumatism for the last four or five weeks.

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All eyes are watching to see what the profession will do in the Bland case. It will be a stigma of disgrace to fail in so small an undertaking for so worthy a cause. The time grows short.

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We are pained to announce the death of Mr. Robert Overstreet, 3217 Dearborn street, Chicago. He was the father of Prof. Henderson, the well-known bandmaster and was 57 years old. Prof. Smith and mother accompanied the remains to Warren O., for interment.

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F. B. Donaldson, the black Trilby, writes:—Our show will close in Fredricksburg, Va., Dec. 13, at the opera house, after 11 months of success. I haved received a lot of credit in my work in the Eastern States. Our roster includes a brass band and orchestra. I will be at leisure after Dec. 13.

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Grant Miner writes:—"I closed my Colored Aristocracy company Nov. 21, and am now in Lagrand Oregon where I expect to winter. We had a very successful season playing Fairs only and I expect to put a small company on the road again in April. Regards to old friends. Hello, Dick Thomas and Scott Joplin.

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Notes from the Exchange Theatre, Jacksonville, Fla., J. M. Robinson, Jr., manager:—Our show continues to draw large audiences nightly. Our gala week show was the best attraction in the city as the crowds preferred our show to the street attractions. We have with us this week Misses Grace Jackson, Pearl Woods, Annie Jones, Sarah Price, the team of Bradley and Leach, Messrs. Geo. Jones, Dennis Mitchell, Samuel Robinson, Buddie Glenn and Charles Williams. Each one is doing his best for the elevation of the company. All send regards to the Black Patti company. We can place a few more ladies.

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The following is an excerpt from the Commercial Appeal, of Memphis, Dec. 6:—The Black Patti, assisted by an extensive company, entertained a crowded house at the auditorium last night. It is the best show of the kind that has visited Memphis this season and the best to be found on the road. The company supporting the star is well chosen the sketches offered are new and the action of the performance throughout is quick, entertaining and fulfils all that has been promiseed for it. There are some attractions that can be honestly commended. This is one of them. It appeals to a class, and is intended to appeal to a class, but it pleases this class unusually well and the management is satisfied.

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Notes from the "Old Plantation" enroute with the Southern Carnival company: (Nat Reese sole prop.)—Our week at Phœnix was the banner week of the season. Mrs. Nat Reese furnished Thanksgiving dinner for the company and in the evening we were all invited to a grand ball after the show; then after the ball Perry Payne, a saloon keeper gave us a spread. We struck some awful cold weather at Prescott, up in the mountains. It was so cold we had to work in our winter raps. Bob Henderson wears a broad smile as his new horn and case comes out next week. All are well and send regards to friends. This is our last week in Arizona. We next go into California. At Prescott, we met Sam Stewart, pianist, an old Missouri boy, who is doing well playing in a big dance hall. He sends regards to P. G. Lowery, John and Gertie Owens. Mrs. Boyd is singing with much much success, "Baby Mine." The Hendersons sends regards to Wm. Fletcher, Prof. Wm. Blue, Geo., Israel, Tom Logan, Jno. Dennis, W. G. Kennedy, Jno. E. Adams and all St. Louis friends. Little Eph is hitting 'em hard singing "Get off My Money," and "Josephine My Joe."

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Notes from the Palace Theatre, Tampa Fla.:—Williams and DeVine (Webb and Vida) are on their fourth week, yet their popularity shows no signs of abating. Billy Bradley and wife closed and have gone South for the winter. Tenia Mizzelle has firmly established herself in the hearts of the Savannahites and is a distinct feature. Kid Alston, our clever all arount man closed on the 20th and will spend the holidays with friends and relatives at Columbia, S. C. Miss Ralph Spain shows marked improvement in her rendition of high-class ballads and is doing nicely. Scott & Scott are a clever, hard working team and come in for a share of the applause so freely given an act bearing the stamp of merit. Tom Logan supervises affairs in a far seeing, level headed, businesslike manner and his supply, of acts, farces and original songs apparently has no limit. Charming Kitty Brown opens Monday, so we look for "Good Times in Old Georgia as Kittie is a great favorite here. Tom Logan has joined hands with Tenia Mizzel and as both are noted for individual versatility we reasonably expect some merritorious sketches from them Business is good and everybody is well. Regards to the Hogan & McClain Co., the Williams & Walker Company, the Black Patti Co., the Douglass Club a and J. Harry Jackson.

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Notes from the Famous Georgia Minstrels:—We are now in Iowa, meeting with far better business than we had anticipated as we expected the cold weather to interfere with the business. The managers are universally claiming that we have the most pleasing show of its kind thay have ever witnessed. We are now simply playing return dates and will be until after the holidays which will be spent at Des Moines, Ia., the home of the brilliant and well-known comedian, Kid Langford. Mrs. Harry Fiddler paid her husband, our genial stage manager, a flying visit at Davenport Iowa and is so elated over the show that her stay is indefinite. Mr. Dave Smith of our company is still looking for Chas. Miller, cornettist from Chattanooga, Tenn. The entire company sends regards to Geo. A. Swan, R. L. Wilson, Henry Graves, Geo. Bailey, Jim Lacy and Piccolo Jones, wishing them much success.

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Notes from A. G. Allen's N. O. Minstrels:—"All are well and we have just finished our stands in Arkansas and are now in Texas. We have been meeting some bad weather in this State. Our manager, G. W. Quine, has just returned from Chicago where he has spent the past three weeks buying costumes for for the company. He has also surprised them all by giving them a $30 overcoat. Our show can compete with any on the road now and is good for 20 more years of success. Kid Arnte is now singing, "Home Ain't Nothing Like This." Hi Henry Hunt, the Alabama wizard, is still puzzling critics. James Wise and Miss Beecham are praying for Bill Bailey to come home. Patti Robinson is still climbing the comic ladder. While in Paris Jno. Jordon, met with surprise, meeting his mother and brother. The Acme Quartette is scoring nightly in their act. Prof. McCamon sends regards to Sun Simms. G. B. Brooks sends regards to all. Hattie Beecham sends regards to Douglass Club.

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R. Hendrix sends the following Chicago notes:—Al. and Mamie Anderson have a great sketch and were the hit of the bill at the Chicago Opera House.—Billy Caldwell, happy as ever, is in the city and sends regards to all friends. Daddy Love's Theatrical Exchange, 336 27th street.—Wm. C. Windom has composed a song, which is a winner. It will be out soon.—It is reported that Goggin & Davis have dissolved partnership. We hope it is not true for they were one of the cleverest teams on the stage of to-day. Burry the hatchett and start anew.—Billy Anderson and wife write Daddy Love, that everything is moving their way, even the paymaster. Willie Gregg is looking as handsome as ever and getting the money. Daddy Love will render "The Palms" and other selections at the musicale in Quinn Chaple, Monday night.—Messrs. Hart and Harlan proprietors of the Tennessee Club, Palm Garden and Saloon, headquarters for theatrical performers, extend a cordial invitation to the Williams & Walker comdany during their stay in the city. Every effort will be made to make their stay a pleasant one by Chicago's popular entertainers, Bert Grant, Will Thomas and Edward Hardin.—Will Thomas sends regards to Kid Austin.—Bert Lewis, our Indianapolis boy, who was shot Thanksgiving day is much improved.

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Napoleon Johnson writes from the big Minstrel Festival:—After three successful weeks in Arkansas we are now in the state of Mississippi, meeting with success. Wm. Israel double bass and tuba player, closed in Newport, Ark. Now that winter has set in, overcoats are in order. Our measure was taken in Helena, for our winter uniforms and they will be along in a few days. We saw our first snow on leaving Helena and all along the line to Greenville, the ground was covered with the same. The band under the leadership of Wm. Blue is still progressing and he is continually adding new selections to his large repertoire. The solos played by Fred Simpson on the trombone are still the main features of our daily band concerts. Wm. Malone, leader of the orchestra. and John Pittman shook hands with old friends in Greenville, Miss., their former home and were given a welcome reception. James Lightfoot, baritone soloist and interlocutor is singing "In the Shade of the Sheltering Palms." R. C. Logan, basso is still meeting with success singing, "The Chink of the Miser's Gold." Wm. Garland is singing "Alabama" assisted on chorus by the Georgia Quartette. 'Dat's de way to Spell Chicken," sung by Mr. Clarence Powell is one of the hits of the first part as is, also, "While the Rain am Falling," sang by S. H. Dudley. The dancing of Dude Kelly and Fred Cambell of the Campbell Bros., was well received. Jube Brown sends regards to Eugene Pittman and Joe Jordan of the A. G. Allen's Minstrels. L. B. Herndon sends regards to T. B. Brown and W. H. Fanning of Louisville, Ky.

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Chas. B. Hicks Reported Dead.

It has been reported that Chas. B. Hicks, the famous minstrel manager died at Surabaya, Japan, from cholera some months. Mr. Hicks was a native of Baltimore, Md. He had been identified for the past two years with Harmston's circus. Prior to this he and his partner A. D. Sawyer had been engaged in a minstrel enterprise known as Hicks and Sawyer's minstrels. Some of the performers handled by these managers were as follows: Tom McIntosh, Chas. and Ben Hunn, Sam Lucas, One Billy Farrell, Billy Jackson, Burrell Hawkins Joe Holcombe, Jack Evans, Billy Speed, Billy Young, Harry Eaton, Chas. Pope, Taylor and Williams, Walter Smart, Eddie Furber, Cooley McGowen (Grant) Doc and Irving Sayles, Wallace King, Wm. Down's, Oscar T. Jackson, Sylvester Russell, Jube Johnson, Wm. Coleman, Wm. Dixon and Geo. W. Pickett. Mr. Hicks was of such light complexion that he could easily have passed for a white man.

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"ONLY A COON PERFORMER."

Tom Logan writes from Savannah Ga.:—"A few weeks ago while in New York my attention was called to an appeal for aid in favor of a luckless performer. When approached, one of our present "Top Liners" answered: "Not on your life—why he's only a cheap coon performer."

"He's only a coon performer,"
That's what they say.
"Working in a Honky Tonk,"
Just across the way.
A dizzy, bum actor—
Was ad lib. all the Fall
Only a coon performer,
Said with much gall.

"Only a coon performer,"
Perish the remark.
"Never signs beyond,
A dance hall or a park,
Why he's a cheap comedian,
So let the subject go,
Only a coon performer—
My work gets me my dough."

"Only a coon performer"
These words I heard.
To come from a Negro
Seemed so absurd;
A few lucky dates
Has changed him I see,
"Only a coon performer"
In a discordant key.

"Only a coon performer"
Shriek if you must,
You'll admit he toils,
Unless you're unjust.
Whether dives or theatres,
Its work just the same,
"Only a coon performer,"
Have you no better name.

"Only a coon perfsrmer"
With heart perhaps kind
Toiling for a wife,
Mother or sister behind.
His calling is honorable
Though on salary small,
"Only a coon performer,"
He's not so bad after all.

"Only a coon performer"
Yet should you need
He awaits not to question
Nationality or creed.
But quick to assist you—
His wilting hand lend
Though, "Only a coon performer,"
He oft proves a friend.

The Case of Leroy Bland.

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

There are many ways of testing the true virtues of men, I will say in this case—actors. If any actor possesses any good qualities at all, there are certain times when those qualities will shine. I have received a letter from poor Leroy Bland. He will soon be on trial for his life. He is not a murderer. Anything further I am not permitted to state as his lawyer forbids it. I am not personally acquainted with Mr. Bland. I have never even seen him but I learn that his reputation is not bad. He has no home or relatives that he can look to for aid and every actor should rally to his support. Any actor who may have enmity against the writer for stage criticism or any other cause should be the first to contribute. But, if his heart is not in sympathy with the man who is in trouble, or the man who pleads his cause, it would be far better for him not to contribute at all. God will neither pity nor condemn him. But, the good work will go on. If actors fail to stand by him, the good people of the world, through the sentiments of the Freeman and for the sake of humanity will come to his rescue.

Perhaps, if he should die, they would be willing to bury him, but from present indications, actors would never permit it.

After Roland Molineux had been on trial and acquitted for the poisoning of Mrs. Adams, the good New York Journal gave out this in one one of its editorials: "When a negro without friends or money is accused of murder, his trial does not last four years nor does his life last as long as that. He is executed."

So Mr. Bland's case for more reasons than one is of great importance. I will never cease to plead his cause. I care nothing about the opinions of actors who will stand back waiting. The actors who will be appreciated by the world are those who will contribute now. We must save his life if possible. And, as I close, I am thinking: "Blessings on those who were first to contribute."

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To The Profession.

The Freeman desires to say that the cause which Mr. Russell so earnestly advocates and in which he has taken the initiative, is a just one and should appeal to the hearts of every brother actor without hesitation. We cheerfully accept the responsibility of stakeholder and will weekly report our progress. Friends, help swell the total which is as follows:

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General Happennings.

Cincinnati, O. Special.—Dr. Pierce president of the State University, Louisville, Ky., preached an eloquent sermon on last Sunday Evening at the Zion Baptist church to a large and appreciative audience. Rev. H. H. Harris of the Zion Baptist church delivered an elequent adpress before the students of the State University of Louisville, Ky. on Thanksgiving day. Mr. Elwood C. Knox of Indianapolis, was in the city Nov. 30. J. B. Parker, lectured at Allen Temple on Thanksgiving night and proved a financial success, He also lectured at St. John's M. E. church Dec. 1st. Joseph Douglass, the noted violinist, appeared at Zion Baptist church, Dec. 11, supported by some of Cincinnati's best talent, viz.: Miss Corinna Bush, one of the rising lights in the musical galaxy, and Mr. Johnny Washington, rendering a tenor solo, Miss Sara G. Ward, pianist. Recitation, Miss Susie Higgins. Prof. Hawkins, the blind marvel of the piano forte, also rendered a solo. Miss Crossen Harper, the popular contralto of Indianapolis, Ind., rendered a solo. Mrs. H. C. Carr of Wade street entertained on Friday evening, Dec. 5, in honor of Mr. J. B. Parker, who felled the assassin of President McKinley. Mrs. Kate Huey, 2633 Kemper Lane, is still very ill.

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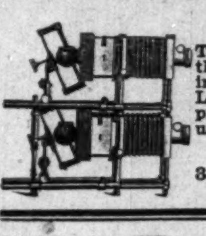

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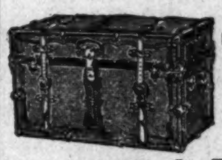

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Winter Work on the Farm.

Soon the farmer will turn his attention and his labor toward the repairing of barn fences and the building of new ones along lines where the old material will no longer turn the stock. The kind of fence to build. the material to use and the method of building are intricate questions for the farmer himself to reason out in the light of his own needs and experiences

Farm fences are a necessary nuisance, and constitute one of the largest outlays in the running expenses of the farm. A consideration of the fence problem has, therefore, a great effect upon the net income from the farm productions. Poor workmanship in the art of constructing and the use of worthless material are often so expensive that no profit's accrue from the season's work.

The most perplexing, as well as the most important problem connected with fencing is the division of the farm into fields that will minimize the amount of fencing needed. If the farm is divided into a cultivated area and a permanent pasture, the former tract will need little or no fencing. This limits the work of fencing to the permanent pasture.

If the hogs have quarters of their own a low fence will answer every purpose and will be much cheaper to buy. If the hogs are not permitted to run in the cattle fields, two or three barbed wires stretched two and four feet from the ground will keep them on their own territory. Should cattle and hogs run together, the single wire at the top, with the special hog fence at the bottom will be necessary. Intelligent planning will help so to arrange the lanes to and from the barn and the lots around it, that many rods of fencing may be saved. After the fields have been mapped out and the fence rows established the question of material for fence building is quickly answered by using some style of wire fencing. Where woven wire is used or the home made-fence is built, it must have such cross-stays as will prevent the pigs from wedging themselves through the meshes. There are many styles of ready woven wire fencing on the market that are excellent for farm use.

The questions of cheapness and durability will have much to do in making a selection. The greatest amount of labor in building wire fencing is given to the establishing of suitable posts for support. It is false encomy to spend all this labor on posts that will soon rot off just because they are cheap or because they are found in abundance on the farm without cost.

Posts made from the tops of white oaks or from the bodies of dead trees, full of worm holes, are the most expensive because it takes the same amount of work to set a post that lasts but two years as it does to set one that may last ten or twenty years. Where bad posts are set the fence is soon in poor repair and does not do its work properly. The best fence posts are made from the osage orange, black locust, catalpa, cedar red sassafras and sand white oak.

FARM NOTES

Do not waste the salt you offer the cow by placing it on the ground. A cheap trough is much better.

Stagnant water imperils the milk and dairymen should not compel their milch cows to drink from stagnant pools and creeks.

An Indiana poultry raiser sold 1000 settings of eggs in one year from his white Plymouth Rock hens for $5.00 a setting.

Have you tried feeding your chichens millet seed? It is said to be an assistant in increasing the egg production and Western farmers can find it an easy crop to grow.

A good substitute for charcoal for toning up your poultry is common field corn charred or burned black on the cob by placing it in a hot oven. Feed it on the cob by placing it around the yard where it will be accessible.

Weaning pigs too soon makes stunted hogs. Ten weeks is none too long to allow them to run with the sow. During the last three weeks it will not be a bad idea to give them a ration once each day of skim milk and coarse ground cornmeal.

The matter should not be treated so unimportant as to say you'll repair the barns and fix up for winter when you "find time." Don't find the time but set the time and consider it with the same degree of importance as any other work planned on your farm.

Farmers who figure on getting profit and best results from their stock will study to have something green in the way of forage to feed at all seasons of the year. This is a matter that is possible if a study is made of it and it is so important that every one should practice it.

Conservative estimates place the hog supply of this country short about 18 per cent. It is predicted the shortage will be the means of keeping prices up another year until the supply increases. With a large corn crop every farmer will aim to increase his herd but this can have but little effect on the market for some time to come.

The reputation of a creamery is of as much importance to the patron furnishing cream as it is to the manufacturer, and where good butter is produced the reputation travels rapidly and success is the result. Good butter will always command top prices and the product will create the necessary demand, and a creamery that is handicapped from producing a good article because the raw material is inferior can not hope to accumulate a reputation for good goods or a successful career.

Every creamery operator who runs on the hand separator gathered cream plan complains that farmers supplying cream are slow to avail themselves of proper and important education essential to making good butter. For this reason creameries are manufacturing under difficulties and owing to strong competition in some localities it is unwise to reject cream that is not up to the standard and the fact is not forcibly impressed upon the farmer that he is delivering an inferior article. Thus, as a general thing, he goes on in the same old way making slow progress in improvement and neglecting the education valuable to him and his entire family.

There seems to be an impression among berry growers that the application of fertilizers to strawberry plants in the fall is wrong, because, they say, it will incite growth that is undesirable. Undoubtedly this is true if the fertilizer is applied too early, but if it is applied after cool weather sets in and the plants have made their growth, it will be beneficial. This work may be done in early winter if the ground is comparatively dry. Of commercial fertilizers, potash and phosphates may be safely applied in the fall and early winter. If nitrate of soda is to be used on the plantation this is best applied in the spring. Stable manures may be applied to advantage in the fall. Both these and the potash and phosphates will wash down in the soil and hold for the use of the plants the following season. They will not be lost, even if the winter season is is one of heavy rains or snow, for they are held in an insoluble form. Plantations treated as suggested will show wonderful results the following season. Try the plan and see how it works.

Time was when fruit growing was considered by farmers somewhat in the nature of "a side line;" a good issue with which the income from the farm might be increased with but little effort. As farmers got deeper into the work of raising fruit, they found that it was more than a side line—that it required intelligent effort well directed to make it profitable, and without this effort they found that not only was it not profitable, but that it actually reduced the gross income from the farm. In a similar manner is poultry raising looked upon by the average farmer and it is carried on in the same manner the result will be the same that came from fruit raising. On the other hand if the farmer will realize that the poultry business is one well deserving of his most intelligent effort and well worth the time it requires to command the details he will find that it may be carried on in connection with farming most profitably. Indeed one may go farther and say that the farmer has many advantages not possessed by those who are unfamiliar with soil culture generally. If he is a successful raiser of cattle or swine he has learned how to feed such animals to the best advantage and he will naturally carry out his work with poultry along the same or similar lines. Then he has the great advantage of being able to largely feed his poultry from the waste product of the farm, and this is a big item. It is safe to say that nine tenths tenths of the farmers could raise poultry profitably if they would take hold of the work fully convinced that "chicken raising" was not child's play, but fully worthy the study of intelligent men

One of the most successful raisers of pork in the middle States, says that he has increased the number of cows in his dairy for the benefit of the pigs. The plan on which this man works is to use all the skim milk from the dairy; he makes butter using a separator, for the purpose of mixing the food of the swine. After getting a good start in swine raising he found that it would pay him to add another cow in order to have more milk for the hogs, and he did this in the face of a low butter market, and found it profitable, so profitable that he steadily added more cows as his hogs increased. Wheat middlings are fed with the skim milk and about one-half the ration for the day is corn in some form usually fed on the ear. In addition the swine have the scrapings from the table as well as the fruit and vegetable parings from the kitchen, together with an abundance of fresh clean water at least once a day. The quarters for the hogs are clean and comfortable; they are heavily bedded during the winter; are on cement floors during all the time they are under cover and have sod for a run in summer and a well-drained graveled barnyard during the winter, where they may nose over the cornstalks left by the cows. The result of this method is clean healthy hogs. making a steady growth of flesh and muscle, and easily fattened when the proper time comes to prepare them for the market.

Admitting that the range is desirable for poultry as long as the weather is suitable for them to be out of doors, it is strange that farmers and poultrymen do not make greater efforts to utilize the services of the birds. This may be done by having the range in the orchards rather than in the open fields. In the orchard the fowls have the benefit of shade and the vermin and will do a vast deal toward ridding the place of insects. But more than that their constant scratching and the droppings add materially to the fertility of the soil and greatly improve the growth of the trees. The same thing applies to sheep in the orchard barring the scratching, of course. Their manure is rich and will improve the soil, while, if the orchard has any growth on the soil the sheep will get a portion of their living in this way. Even in the winter unless the ground is covered with snow, the orchard makes a protected place for the fowls on pleasant days and they should be allowed to access to it.

As a rule it costs but little to secure good nest boxes in shape but the one herein described is better than the average in that it costs but a trifle and it combines cheapness with that darkness so desired by laying hens The box is a combination of two small soap boxes, although one large one will answer the same purpose A partition is placed through the middle of the box making a long narrow passage in each side, yet quite wide enough for the hen to turn around in. A hinged cover is placed over the rear portion of the top for convenience in getting the eggs and renewing the nest material. The nests are made in the rear end of these boxes and the openings in front are but large enough for the hens to pass through easily. It will take but little time to construct any number of these boxes needed and at small expense. They may be readily placed on the side wall, a little way from the floor, by the use of strong brackets of iron which are inexpensive. These are the sort of nest boxes that delight laping hens and costing as little as they do, there is no excuse for not having them.

Miscellaneous News Notes.

Muscatine, Ia, Special.—Miss Blanche Woods of Davenport has returned home after a pleasant visit with her friend, Miss Cora Phoenix. Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Groomes were entertained by Mrs Watson on Thanksgiven day. Mrs. Forest White will spend several months with friends at Evanston, Ill. The stewardess of the A. M. E. church gave a luncheon on Thanksgiving evening. A short program was rendered by the young people. The Searchlight Society are preparing for their annual concert. Rev. and Mrs. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Thompson and Miss Blanche Woods of Davenport ate Thansgiven dinner at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Townley. Arthur Manley gave a dinner party to his many friends Tuesday, Nov. 25th, in honor of his birthday. He was given a surprise by the young people in the evening. Robert Evans of Buxton, Ia., visited here a few days. Miss Charlotta Williams of Dixon, Ill., is a guest of Rev. and Mrs. F. J. Peterson. Miss Cora Phoenix spent Sunday, Nov. 30, in Davenport, Iowa. Mrs. Mary Bain is on the sick list.

INQUIRY.

Special to The Freeman.

My brother, William Lightle, went from Lightle's Mill, two miles above Moscow, Tenn., in 1861 or '62. He went with Capt. Jolley of the 4th Illinois cavalry, called the "hundred day men." The captain supposed to live either in Chicago or Bloomington, Ill. His mother's name is Adline Lightle, his father's, Alfred. Sisters' names are Laura and Mary and a brother, Bronson Any information of the above will be thankfully received and highly appreciated by his sister, MRS. L. C. MACK,
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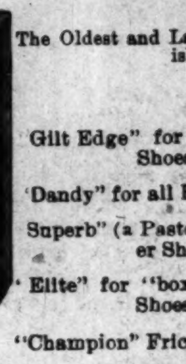

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A Fountain may be organized consisting of twenty or more persons not over fifty years of age paying a joining fee of from $4.60 to $5.10 each. The monthly dues are not less than thirty-five cents in rural districts and not less than fifty cents per month in towns and cities and a semi annual tax of forty cents paid in January and July of each year. Sick benefits paid are from $1 50 to $2.50 per week, while death benefits range from $75.00 to $125.00. A Fountain may be organized in any locality on application to Rev. W. L. Taylor, G. W. Master, or to any of his authorized deputies.

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14 to 25	$ 2 50	$ 200 00	$ 100 00	$ 4 75	$ 1 20
25 to 30	2 75	200 00	100 00	4 75	1 20
30 to 35	3 00	200 00	100 00	4 75	1 20
35 to 40	3 25	200 00	100 00	5 70	1 43
40 to 45	3 50	140 00	70 00	5 79	1 43
45 to 50	3 75	115 00	58 00	6 65	1 66
50 to 55	4 00	90 00	45 00	6 65	1 66
55 to 60	4 25	65 00	33 00	7 60	1 90

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AGES.	Joining Fee	Value of Certificate after 1 yr	Value of Certificate before 1 yr	Annual Dues	Q'rterly Dues
14 to 25	$ 5 00	$ 500 00	$ 250 00	$ 9 50	$ 2 50
25 to 30	5 25	500 00	250 00	9 50	2 40
30 to 35	5 50	500 00	250 00	9 50	2 40
35 to 40	5 75	500 00	250 00	10 40	2 60
40 to 45	6 00	450 00	225 00	10 40	2 60
45 to 50	6 25	400 00	200 00	11 40	2 85
50 to 60	6 50	350 00	175 00	11 40	2 85

CLASS "M" TABLE.

AGES.	Joining Fee	Value of Certificate	Annual Dues	Quarterly Dues
14 to 30	$ 11 00	$ 1000 00	$ 21 00	$ 5 25
30 to 35	12 00	1000 00	22 00	5 50
35 to 40	12 00	900 00	23 00	5 75
40 to 45	13 00	800 00	24 00	6 00
45 to 50	13 00	700 00	25 00	6 25

REGALIA.

The members of the Fountains and Rosebuds of the organization wear no expensive regalia. The regalia of the organization is simple and its cost within the reach of all, costing from 10 cents to $350 the same is made by the organization in what is known as the Regalia Department.

THE SAVINGS BANK.

In March 1888, there was granted by the Legislature of Virginia, a charter to the Savings Bank of the Grand Fountian United Order of True Reformers, capital stock $100,000 00. The bank commenced bussiness April 3rd, 1889, and from that time down to the present has steadily increased in volume of business. It now has a paid-up capital stock of $100,000.00. From the humble sum of $1.268.69 deposited the first day the bank opened for business in 1889, the deposits have grown to $350,858.00, and the volume of business transacted amounts to $6,190,141.47. During the financial panic of 1893, the Savings Bank of the Grand Fountain was the only bank in the city of Richmond that did not cease to pay cash on all checks presented while the majority of other banks were using script and clearing-house checks. This bank had its origin in the brain of William W. Browne an ex-slave of Habersham county, Ga. The banking house is located at 604 N. Second Street, Richmond, Va., Rev. W. L. Taylor, President; R. T. Hill, Cashier.

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The Real Estate Department has charge of all the real property to the amount of $225,221 65, situated in various States, consisting of 18 magnificent buildings used as halls, 8 dwellings, 1 hotel, 5 stores and 3 farms. It also has under its control 16 large buildings leased by it.

This department is under the management of Lawyer J. C. Robertson, Chief of Real Estate and Attorney for the organization, with offices at 604 N. Second street, Richmond, Va.

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Was chartered under the laws of the State of Virginia on the 14th day of December 1899 with principal office in the city of Richmond, Va. The purpose of this Association is to conduct stores (wholesale and retail) buy and sell real property, manage and control hotels, manufacturing establishments, and general business. The Association has in operation Hotel Reformer, 900 N. Sixth street, Richmond, Va. It is a modern up-to-date structure, heated by steam, cold and hot water baths, also electric cars passing the door. This hotel has accommodation for 150 guests. Mr. A W. Holmes is manager and Mr. T. W. Taylor is clerk. It has in operation a system of five stores, located as follows: Richmond, Va.; Washington, D. C.; Manchester, Va.; Portsmouth, Va.; and Roanoke, Va. The first of these stores, at Richmond, Va., was opened April 3rd, 1900. It emyloys a force of eighteen men, runs three delivery wagons, and during the first year did $50,000 worth of business. The other stores have been established since and have been equally as prosperous. The General Manager of the system of stores is Mr. B. L. Jordan, headquarters at 608 N. Second street, Richmond, Va. This Association was formed on the plans and recommendations made by Rev. W. L, Taylor, its President.

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As this home is for the benefit of the whole race, the co-operation of all charitable friends is prayfully solicited. All contributions, donations and bequeaths of every character will be very thankfully received. Mr. T. W. Taylor is chief in charge of the Old Folks' Homes, offices at 608 N. Second street, Richmond, Va.

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Mr. John S. Durham, ex-minister to Hayti, has been named as assistant attorney to the Spanish Claims Commission, of which Ex-Senator Chandler is chairman. Mr. Durham is a lawyer of rare ability, a courteous gentleman, represents the best attainments of the race at the bar and in public life.

Two colored woman and one colored man was sold by the sheriff to the highest bidderbefore the court house on last Friday, one for three months, the other for two and three years respectively. They were convicted of vagrancy in the circuit court.

A bank has been opened in Pine Bluff, Ark., by colored men, and the future of the institution will be watched with unusual interest. If it suceeds, like enterprises will be inaugurated in other town, and if it fails it will be discouraging to those who have insisted that the Negro was capable of conducting and sustaining any kind of legitimate business. The Negroes are capable to run a bank if he is not capable to hold a federal appointment in Arkansas.

Mrs. "Charity" Wiggins, the aged mother of Blind Tom, the musician, died on last week in Birmingham, Ala., of dropsy of the heart. Her body was taken by her daughter to Columbus, Ga., for burial. The woman was 102 years old. She was the mother of twenty children.

Mrs. Josephine Price McNairy, is principal of the Verdi Conservatory of music, in Nashville, Tenn.

rchman, physician and surgeon, also postmaster of Irene, Ark., is dead. The Freeman sympathizes with the bereaved family.

Mr T Thomas Fortune, editor of the New York Age, an in-season and an out of-season race champion, has been appointed special commissoner to investigate conditions in our insular possessions at Shreveport, La., the only assignment of the kind yet made. It is a designation well merited and Mr. Fortune's fitness for a work of this kind is conceeded.

Col. Thomas Ochiltree, an illustrious Texan and a noted civilian of the reconstruction days died at Hot Springs Virginia last week.

Entertainments and Personal Notes.

Hannibal, Mo., Special.—The operetta given at the Eighth and Center Street Baptist church, Nov. 26th, under the management of Mrs. O. C. Queen, assisted by Mrs. Ida Slayton, was repeated Dec. 3d. It was made up of fifty children. Beautiful costumes were arranged for the three acts as follows: "The Market Day Chorus," "Five Little Fiddlers" and "Queen Flora's Day Dream." The entertainment drew a large crowd on both dates, and every one who attended were well pleased The Electrict Concert Company gave an entertainment at the A. M. E. church Monday, Dec 8th. Thanksgiving services were held at the A. M. E. church in the morning, after which dinner and supper were served in the lecture room, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The entertainment given by the Household of Ruth at the Bimetallis was largely attended. Miss Cyrena McDowell spent Thanksgiving with friends in St. Louis. Mrs. A. McDowell has returned home from Chicago after visiting friends and relatives. James, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Glypsie, died at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, Nov. 29th. Dr. and Mrs. L. B. Bluitt of St. Louis were Thanksgiving guests of Dr. and Mrs. O. C. Queen. It will be remembered that Dr. Bluitt was a surgeon in the Spanish-American war as an attache of the famous Illinois regiment that did valiant service. Miss Ella V. Robinson has opened a woman's exchange at 119 Market street. She carries a nice line of notions. Give her a call The Young Men's Club met in the office of the A. M. E. church Tuesday night, Dec. 2. Miss L. Bush is on the sick list. Order, watch and wait for the holiday number of The Freeman, the "Acme" of Negro journalism, which will contain twenty-four pages in colors. Place your order at once with your agent, Walter W. Booher, 109 Washington avenue. Holiday number 10c.

Frankfort News.

Frankfort, Ind., Special.—Miss Laura White of Cadiz, O., will spend her winter in this city with Mrs. Sam Williams. Messrs. A. Idle and F. Mitchell spent Thanksgiving at Indianapolis in attendance of Ben-Hur. Mr. Valentine has moved from Second street to First stree on account of a more genial spot for health and comfort. Forrest Mitchell celebrated his 20th birthday Saturday. Mrs. Ida Mitchell and Miss B. Russell spent a pleasant evening in Lebanon, Ind. Mrs. Harper spent a few days in Mattoon, Tuscola and Charleston, Ill. Mr. Mitchell was in Mississippi last week. Mr. Damon of Fairmont was in the city Sunday. Mr. Burns of Swagzee, was a guest in the city, Sunday. Miss Carrie Harper of this city and Dr. Brown, were united in marriage Thanksgiving day. The Freeman and friends wish them much success. Ray Harper and John Bearden went coonhunting recently and found an opossum They ran it a mile, then treeing it and on capturing their prey, found it to be a full grown, celebrated old Tom cat. Mrs. Mitchell spent Thanksgiving at the capital. Miss Jennie Idle leaves for Champaign, Ill., in a few days. Mrs. Holmes is on the sick list. Will Blove lost his overcoat in Chicago recently. Miss Minnie Valentine of this city and Mr. Ward of St. Louis, were married Thanksgiving evening at 8 o'clock. They left for their home in St. Louis, and The Freeman and friends extend congratulations.

Jacksonville Briefs.

Jacksonville, Ill., Special.—Mr. Mallery an old citizen of this city, died last Wednesday morning at his home in Ashland avenue. He was a very excelent man and lived to the ripe age of 80 years. Mrs. Duke, the wife of Mr. Duke of this city, died in Chicago last Wednesday morning from a tumor operation. The remains were brought here for interment. Mrs. Sofa Modely and sons of Petersburg, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles Starks. The Thanksgiving dinners, at the church and hall were well attended. The barbershop of Charles L. Berry, has been refurished with new filters. Black Patti was at the Grand Thanksgiving day. Mesdames Mary Robinson and Martha Walker are still on the sick list. Don't forget the Ancient concert on the 18th. The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan is very sick with the pneumonia.

A Brilliant Wedding.

Danville, Va., Special.—A very brilliant wedding took place in our city, Nov. 27, in Bellview Baptist Church; the contracting parties are Mr. Fletcher Woods to Miss Minervia Watkins in the present of a large number of invited guests, the Rev. R. B. Brandon officiating. The supper was served in the old infair order and the guests customed themselves up to the style of the occasion. They were recipients of many valuable presents coupled with congratulations and well wishes to their success in life. They will be found at home in Sycamore street. Thanksgiving services were well attended at all the churches. Mrs Melia Erwin died Nov. 27, and her took place from the Belview Baptist Church the 28th, Rev. K. S. Logan officiating. She leaves a grand-daughter and a host of other relatives to mourn. Rev. A. S. Thomas, ex pastor of the Calvary Baptist church, Richmood, Va., was in the city Sunday, Nov. 30, and preached all day. The rally at the Loyal street Baptist church was a success. The day was stormy, and our folks don't like to go out unless they can see the sun. They raised $184.50.

Annual Conclave.

Kansas City, Mo, Special.—The sixth annual conclave of the Missouri Valley Knights Templar Association held in Kansas City, Mo., was one of the most successful in the history of the association. The following commandries were present: Cyrene No. 3, of Topeka Kas. Nortwestern, No. 6; St. Joseph; Far West, No. 3; Kas. City; Emanuel, No. 25 Kas. City. Other commandaries sent representatives. The commandaries were tendered at Strope's, Hall 9th and Central, in the morning and at noon the visiting Knights and ladies were served with luncheon at Masonic Hall after which they returned to the reception hall. At three o'clock the parade headed by Blackburn's Military Band, marched through the principal streets to the Masonic Hall, where a magnificent banquet was served after which some of the most noted Knights responded to toasts among whom were Sir J. H. Childers, of Topeka, M. O. Rickats of St Joe; Charless Prentiss, of St. Louis; J. E. Hereford, St. Joe and others. The conclave closed with an exhibition drill and ball at Strope's Hall. Geo. Anderson was the real thing at the calico ball. The prizes for the neatest calico dress was awarded to Miss Mae Belle Clark; second, to Miss Georgia Thompson Jno. Hill, headwaiter at the Savoy Hotel will take a crew to Bloomington, Ill, to open a new house after which he will return to his post here. James Hill, head waiter at the Coates house resigned his position which he had held for two years. He exoects to go into business for himself. Mr. Hayes Long succeeded him. He had the position as second waiter.

Brevities On the Banks of the Wabash.

Terre Haute, Ind., Special.—Hon Horatio Whitted of Washington, D. C., one of the foremost in the efforts being made to uplift the Negro race, was the guest, last week, of his sister-in-law Mrs. Grace Whitted, living at 1224 Tippecanoe street. Mr. Whitted was formerly of Danville, Ill., and was returning from a lecture trip to that point. "The Negro of the Twentieth Century" was the subject of his discourse. Mr. Whitted's work has for its object the same thing that Prof. Booker T. Washington. the upbuilding of his people, and his earnest efforts along those lines place him in the front rank of the colored race. Rev. Jessie Henry of the M. E. church went to Chicago, Ill., Saturday, Nov. 29th, to visit his son, Jerry Henry, who is attending college there. All the churches report a nice time Thanksgiving. Save your dimes for the holiday number of The Freeman. It will be a grand treat to read one.

Notes from the "Blue Grass" State.

Lebanon, Ky., Special.—Mr. S. Bell of Louisville, Ky., U. S. ganger for this district, was in town recently. If you want anything in fine jewelry, eyeglasses, etc., call on E. G. Lamb, who keeps a good line of goods on hand. The Sir Knight's Temple, No 204 Mt. Calvary, is now in good condition. The endowment fund has been paid up to date for all members in good standing. Those in arrears are advised to pay up. Pompay Elder, C. M; Thos. A. Brown, C. S. Rev. Thos. A. Brown left for Springfield, Ky., Saturday, Nov. 29. He delivered a lecture with views on Monday night, Dec. 1, at Johnston's A. M. E. Zion church

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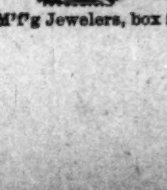

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The Zenda dance was well attended Thursday night.

Albert Fields is sick at his home, 724 N. Missouri street.

Rastus Jones is in the city from Chicago for an indefinite stay.

Master Charles Brown, in W. Tenth street, is ill with the mumps.

Mrs. Harry Fiddler is visiting her husband at Davenport, Iowa.

The children of Allen Chapel are busy getting ready for Santa Claus.

Mrs. Florence Phillips is seriously ill at her home in Indiana avenue.

Harry Wyatt attended the Williams and Walker shoe at Cincinnati, Ohio, last week.

Mrs. Janie Reed of Culver, Ind., is in the city, the guest of her brother Carter Smith.

The Rev. M. Coleman was in Anderson, Ind., last Sunday afternoon and preached.

Mr. W. H. Fielding was in Muncie, Ind., last Monday to attend the Douglass recital.

Rev. W. W. Lott of Shelbyville, Ind., occupied the pulpit at Simpson Chapel last Sunday.

George W. Chivis and wife were in the city or Wednesday en route to Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. Julia Hillman continues ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown.

Mr. Joseph Douglass of Washington, D. C., gave a recital at Muncie, Ind., Monday evening.

Miss Edna Scott resigned her position as secretary of the Epworth League at Simpson Chapel.

Attorney I. D. Blair has returned from Xenia, Ohio, where he was called on legal business.

Mrs. Frances Smith and daughter are in Verseilles, Ky., attending the Brown-Whittaker wedding.

Mrs. Gertrude Guthrie, 737 W. Walnut street, entertained the Woman's Club Monday afternoon.

Communion services were observed in Allen Chapel last Sunday, it being first Sunday in the month.

The Topaz Cluster was entertained by Mrs. Al Henderson in California street yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. H. M. Frazier of Muncie, Ind is in the city visiting her mother, Mrs. Dr. Elbert, in Senate avenue.

Mr. John Fielding of Cincinnati, O., the brother of W. H. Fielding, is in the city for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. Bonaparte Beatty, 720 N. West street, will entertain the Matinee Whist Club this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Little Roberta, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moody, is very ill at heir residence in North street.

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John Harris of Kalamazoo, Mich., was in the city last week attending the funeral of his father, Isham Harris.

Mr. Fred. D, Hillman was in the city Saturday and Sunday on account of the illness of his wife, Mrs. Julia Hillman.

Mr. Joseph Douglass was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Al Henderson last Tuesday from 5 to 9 p. m.

Miss Eliza Barbee was elected secretary of the Epworth League to fill out the unexpired time of Miss Edna Scott.

There was a good attendance at Simpson Chapel last Sunday. The amount of collection taken up for the day was $22 10.

Mrs. Laura Brooks and Miss Lizzie Hicks of Monrovia, Ind., were the guests of Miss Anna Smith in Muskingum street last week.

The marriage of Mr. Benj Baker and Miss Alberta McWilliams took place Wednesday morning, Dec. 3d, Rev. J. M. Townsend officiating.

Mrs. John Morine and daughter Flora from Muncie, Ind., are in the city on account of the illness of her son, John Morine, at the home of Mrs. W. N. Curry in California street.

School No. 24 will give an entertainment Tuesday, Dec. 23, at 4 o'clock. The exercises will consist of recitations, drills and songs. The proceeds are to help purchase a gymnasium apparatus. Admission ten cents.

Mrs. Fannie Cole of Cleveland, Ohio, the sister of Mrs. L. W. Allen, 539 Dorman street, were called to attend the bedside of their father, Mr. William Housley, of Louisville, Ky., who is seriously ill and not expected to live.

After thirty days' leave of absence given by Allen Chapel choir, Mr. P. W. Green, its chorister, has resumed his place. He is doing some excellent work in the increase of members and putting on and practicing excellent music.

Bethel A. M. E. Church Literary Society met last Tuesday evening and completed the selection of officers. A good program will be presented the next meeting night, Tuesday, Dec. 23. The society will meet on the alternating Tuesday nights. Rev. Dr. Townsend, pastor.

The funeral of Miss Sarah Green took place last Thursday afternoon from Allen Chapel, Rev. Coleman officiating. The remains were vaulted pending the arrival of her brother, Mr. J. Ed. Green. She was a member of the Sunday-school, which adopted resolutions of condolence that were read at the funeral and before the school. They were ordered spread in the manual of the school.

A party of friends gave a surprise birthday party at the home of Mrs. Mattie Wilson, in Cushing street, on last Saturday night. A most enjoyable time was had. Refreshments were served in abundance. Mrs. Wilson was the recipient of many nice presents. Those composing the party were: Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Hickerson, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith, Mesdames H. K. Berry, Mattie Williams, Alice Taylor, Misses Lucy Puryear, Margaret and Lenina Smith, Messrs. Indimeon James, Walter and Arthur Marshall and Geo. G. Simmons.

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New Orleans, Dec. 8.—Cotton steady. Sales, 4,250 bales. Ordinary, 6 11 16c; good ordinary, 7 3-16c; low middling, 7½c; middling, 8c; good middling, 8 7-16c; middling fair, 9⅛c. Receipts, 9,008 bales; stock, 349,672 bales.

New York, Dec. 8.—Cotton—Spot closed quiet; middling upland, 8.50c; middling gulf, 8.75c. Sales, 44,000 bales.

New Orleans, Dec. 9.—Cotton steady. Sales, 4,950 bales. Ordinary, 8 11-16c; good ordinary, 7 3-16c; low middling, 7½c; middling, 8c; good middling, 8 7-16c; middling fair, 9⅛c. Receipts, 12,483 bales; stock, 352,055 bales.

New York, Dec. 9.—Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands, 8½c; middling gulf, 8¾c. Sales, 500 bales.

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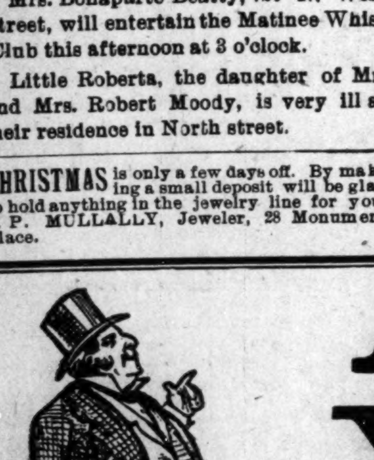

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